

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA  
POSTAL REGULATORY COMMISSION  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20268-0001

Periodic Reporting  
(Proposal Three)

Docket No. RM2016-11

CHAIRMAN'S INFORMATION REQUEST NO. 2

(Issued September 22, 2016)

To clarify the Postal Service's petition to consider changes in analytical principles (Proposal Three), filed August 22, 2016,<sup>1</sup> the Postal Service is requested to provide written responses to the following question. An answer to this question should be provided as soon as it is developed, but no later than September 29, 2016.

Please refer to the Postal Service's responses to questions 1 and 2 of Chairman's Information Request No. 1.<sup>2</sup> When asked whether Proposal Three depends on the prior approval of Proposal Nine, the Postal Service states that "[i]t is not possible to implement [Proposal Three] without acceptance of Proposal Nine." September 16, 2016, Response to CHIR No. 1, questions 1.a-b and 2. The Postal Service explains that the "office/street split" necessary to implement the In-Office Cost System-Cluster sampling method requires adoption of the changes outlined in Proposal Nine. *Id.* question 1.a-b. On September 22, 2016, the Commission denied Proposal Nine.<sup>3</sup> Please confirm that the Postal Service plans to withdraw Proposal Three. If not

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<sup>1</sup> Petition of the United States Postal Service for the Initiation of a Proceeding to Consider Proposed Changes in Analytical Principles (Proposal Three), August 22, 2016, Proposal Three (Proposal Three).

<sup>2</sup> Responses of the United States Postal Service to Questions 1-8, 11-13, 15, 18.a-c, and 21 of Chairman's Information Request No. 1, September 16, 2016, questions 1 and 2 (September 16, 2016, Response to CHIR No. 1).

<sup>3</sup> Docket No. RM2015-2, Order No. 3526, Order Denying Changes in Analytical Principles Used in Periodic Reporting (Proposal Nine), September 22, 2016.

confirmed, please provide the Postal Service's preferred approach for the disposition of this docket.

By the Acting Chairman.

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